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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 10724

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MILI, KE
SUBJECT: NAVAL CONTROL OF SHIPPING ORGANIZATION (NCS ORG)

REF: (A) COMIDEASTFOR 111332Z JUL 78,
(B) NAIROBI 8786 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF
DEFENSE COOPERATION (ODC) TO ENABLE IT TO BETTER MANAGE
VARIOUS AND EXPANDING MILITARY PROGRAMS. WE WOULD HOPE
ODC WOULD BE IN PLACE BY MAY 79 WHEN JOINT CANADIAN/
U.S. NCS EXERCISE IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED.

2. ASSUMING ODC IN PLACE, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT OFFICE
WOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO CONDUCT SUBJECT EXERCISE AND THAT
TDY PERSONNEL WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY. IF ODC NOT
ESTABLISHED, EMBASSY WOULD WELCOME SUCH ASSIGNMENT. IN
EVENT LATTER, TDY PERSONNEL SHOULD RECEIVE STANDARD PER
DIEM. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE NO RPT NO PROBLEMS WITH
LODGINGS OR MEALS. CIVILIAN CLOTHES WOULD BE WORN AT
ALL TIMES.

3. FOLLOWING RESPONSES KEYED TO PARA 3 REFTTEL:

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A. MOMBASA.

B. NO SECURE COMMUNICATIONS IN MOMBASA. EMBASSY,
WHICH HAS ON-LINE SECURE COMMUNICATIONS, IS LOCATED
IN NAIROBI SOME 300 MILES FROM MOMBASA.

C. LOGISTICS AT PORT HANDLED BY SHIPS' AGENT

CHRIS SOPER. SOPER HAS HANDLED MANY VISITS OF U.S.
NAVY SHIPS TO COMPLETE SATISFACTION OF ALL CONCERNED.

D. N/A

E. TO BE SUPPLIED BY SEPTTEL.

F. MIGHT BE DESIRABLE IN WARTIME BUT NOT
NECESSARY IN PEACETIME.

4. NO. NCSO/STBY REPORTING OFFICER IN 1980 WOULD BE
EITHER MEMBER OF ODC OR NEW POLITICAL OFFICER.

5. ASSUME ODC WOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE WITHOUT
PREPARATORY DRILL. ON OTHER HAND, IF ODC NOT ESTABLISHED
EMBASSY WOULD RELY ON TDY PERSONNEL WHICH WOULD PROBABLY
OBVIATE NECESSITY FOR PREPARATORY DRILL.

6. WHEN TIME PERMITS, REVIEW OF EXISTING DOCUMENTATION
WILL BE MADE AND REPORTED.

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